

REMARKS

Claim 9 is amended, no claims are canceled, and no claims are added. Claims 1, 3-22, 24-27, 29-44, 47-48 and 53-55 are pending upon entry of this amendment.

Election/Restriction

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed January 18, 2007, Applicant provisionally elects, without traverse, Species D. Therefore, at least claims 1, 3, 5, 27, 30, 36-39, 44, 47 and 48 are readable on provisionally elected Species D.

Applicants reserve the right to reintroduce the non-elected claims 4, 6-22, 24-26, 29-35, 40-43 and 53-55 in one or more divisional applications at a later date.

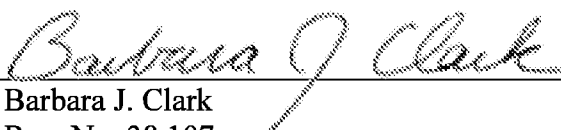
Applicant respectfully acknowledges the Examiner's comment that upon allowance of a generic claim, that applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional (non-elected) species which depend from or otherwise require all the limitations of an allowable generic claim as provided by 37 C.F.R. 1.141.

The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney at 515-233-3865 to facilitate the prosecution of this application. If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully submitted,

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